

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

August 7, 2000

Joseph F. McCormick, Treasurer McCormick For Congress 208 Hummingbird Lane Albany, GA 31707

> RE: **MUR 5055**

> > McCormick for Congress

Dear Mr. McCormick:

On July 24, 2000 the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that McCormick for Congress ("Committee") and you, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(f), a provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, by receiving excessive contributions. However, after considering the circumstances of this matter, the Commission also determined to take no further action and closed its file. The General Counsel's Report, which formed a basis for the Commission's finding, is attached for your information.

The Commission instructs you to refund the outstanding excessive contributions, currently listed as debt, as soon as funds become available.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record before receiving your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record upon receipt.

If you have any questions, please contact Erik Morrison, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Darryl R. Wold

Chairman

Enclosure General Counsel's Report